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NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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No one hurt in school fire in North Dakota. A March 27 blaze at Bob Callies Elementary School cancelled classes for all schools in the city through April 2. Source:

<http://www.jamestownsun.com/event/article/id/182932/group/homepage/>

REGIONAL

(Minnesota) Minnesota: State warns consumers about possibly tainted sausages. The Minnesota Department of Agriculture advised the public to avoid consuming smoked pork and beef pepper sticks produced by Belgrade Meat Center after routine sampling discovered Listeria contamination. Source:

http://www.twincities.com/minnesota/ci_22943722/minnesota-state-warns-consumers-about-possibly-tainted-sausages

(Minnesota) \$5,000 reward offered in Duluth copper theft. The St. Louis County Board offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone involved in a March 11 theft where nearly 1,200 feet of copper wiring was stolen overnight from a Hammerlund Construction county road project site. Source:

<http://www.duluthnewstribune.com/event/article/id/263232/>

(Minnesota) 2 escape from low-security prison in Minn. Police are searching for two inmates that escaped from a minimum-security federal prison camp close to Duluth March 30. Prison officials do not believe the public is in any danger and have contacted the U.S. Marshal Service to assist. Source: <http://minnesota.publicradio.org/display/web/2013/03/31/regional/two-escape-from-prison-near-duluth>

(Montana) Health department investigating illness at Bozeman elementary school. School officials at Emily Dickinson Elementary School are investigating what could have caused a large number of staff and students to be absent from school April 3 and April 4 with norovirus-like symptoms. Source: <http://www.kbzk.com/news/health-department-investigating-illness-at-bozeman-elementary-school/>

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BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

Instawallet hacked, Mt. Gox hit by major DDOS attack. Two online services for holding and trading the Bitcoin virtual currency were attacked recently. Online wallet site Instawallet suspended its service indefinitely after attackers accessed it and the largest Bitcoin exchange service, Mt. Gox, came under a large distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack. Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Instawallet-Hacked-Mt-Gox-Hit-by-Major-DDOS-Attack-342913.shtml>

Banking trojan disguised as innocuous Word and WinHelp files. A Panda Security researcher discovered a banking trojan that uses fake .docx and WinHelp file types to avoid detection. The first piece of malware used in the process currently has a low detection rate by antivirus programs. Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2453

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

(Pennsylvania) Verizon takes on copper theft in Pa., offering \$50,000 reward. A rampant copper theft problem in Pennsylvania's Lawrence and Washington counties prompted Verizon to announce a \$50,000 reward for information that leads to the arrest and prosecution of copper thieves. Since January 2013, more than 9,000 feet of copper cable has been taken, resulting in \$62,500 in damages. Source: <http://www.fiercetelecom.com/story/verizon-takes-copper-theft-pa-offering-50000-reward/2013-04-02>

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

Subaru recalls 215,000 Outbacks and Legacies for corrosion in brake lines. Subaru announced the recall of at least 215,000 Outback and Legacy vehicles in States that heavily use road salt due to a risk of brake line corrosion. Source: <http://wheels.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/04/02/subaru-recalls-215000-outbacks-and-legacies-for-corrosion-in-brake-lines/>

Hyundai-Kia recalling nearly 1.9 million vehicles. Almost 1.9 million Hyundai and Kia vehicles were recalled for brake light and air bag issues. The recall affects 2007-2011 model year Hyundai and Kia vehicles for brake light issues, and 2011-2013 Hyundai Elantra vehicles for the air bag issue. Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/cars/2013/04/03/hyundai-kia-recall/2048799/>

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Haier America expands recall of chest freezers due to fire hazard. Haier expanded a recall of chest freezers to include 41,000 more units due to the potential for the freezers' circuitry to overheat, which poses a fire hazard. A previous recall affected 67,500 units. Source:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/Haier-America-Expands-Recall-of-Chest-Freezers/>

DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Nothing Significant to Report

ENERGY

DHS Report: 11 companies from energy sector targeted by cybercriminals. A DHS report revealed a spear-phishing campaign that targeted 11 companies from the energy sector by utilizing publicly available information found on their Web sites and creating malicious emails guiding recipients to malware attachments and links. Source:

<http://news.softpedia.com/news/DHS-Report-11-Companies-from-the-Energy-Sector-Targeted-by-Cybercriminals-343342.shtml>

(Colorado) Pipeline leak highlights threat to groundwater. Construction crews accidentally discovered a gas pipeline that allowed thousands of gallons of benzene and other liquid hydrocarbons to seep into the ground near a creek that feeds into the Colorado River. Officials with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, the pipeline operator, and WPX Energy are investigating but assured the public that the creek is not at risk for contamination. Source:

<http://www.mohavedailynews.com/articles/2013/04/03/news/state/doc515be4f558f41625805201.txt>

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Tyson Foods recalls uncooked chicken products. Approximately 127,000 pounds of uncooked breaded chicken tenderloins and uncooked chicken tenderloin fritter products were recalled by Tyson Foods Inc. because of an undeclared allergen and misbranding. Source:

<http://www.wggb.com/2013/04/02/tyson-foods-recalls-uncooked-chicken-products/>

More retailers involved in Farm Rich recall. A list of retailers involved in an ongoing recall of frozen Farm Rich food products, announced March 28, grew to include a number of regional grocery retailers. The recall was prompted by reports that at least 24 people in 15 States have contracted infections of E. coli O121 associated with the recalled products. Source:

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<http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/04/more-stores-involved-in-farm-rich-recall/#.UVIxsRykrMg>

Farm Rich retailer list expands again. Farm Rich has expanded a list of retailers carrying voluntary recalled frozen food products to include 15 national retailers and several more regional grocers. Farm Rich initially announced a voluntary recall of certain frozen food products March 28 due to potential connection to an E. coli O121 outbreak. Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/04/farm-rich-retailer-list-expands-again/#.UVwU65OkrMg>

GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(Kentucky) One person killed in shooting at Fort Knox Army post. The Fort Knox U.S. Army base was placed on lockdown after a civilian Army employee was shot and killed April 3 in a parking lot. Authorities are investigating the incident and searching for the suspect. Source: <http://news.yahoo.com/army-post-fort-knox-lockdown-shooting-fox-news-010145473.html>

(Vermont) Vt. Police investigate half-ton copper theft. Authorities are searching for those responsible for taking over half a ton of copper tubing from the former Mount Anthony Union Middle school the week of April 1. The tubing was taken from a basement ceiling and discovered by the building's caretaker. Source: <http://www.wcax.com/story/21879666/vt-police-investigate-half-ton-copper-theft>

(Ohio) Agents: Man allegedly made threats to president through Twitter. Authorities arrested a man after he allegedly tweeted a series of death threats against the U.S. President. Source: <http://www.nbc4i.com/story/21845918/agents-arrest-man-accused-of-making-threats-to-president-through-twitter>

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

In 92% of attacks ZIP files are used to deliver malware, FireEye study finds. FireEye released its Advanced Threat Report covering the latter half of 2012, detailing malware and methods of its distribution. Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/In-92-of-Attacks-ZIP-Files-Are-Used-to-Deliver-Malware-FireEye-Study-Finds-342995.shtml>

Japanese web portals hacked, up to 100,000 accounts compromised. Web portals Yahoo Japan and Goo reported brute force attacks and malware on company servers, respectively. The attacks on Goo exposed customers' personal and banking information, while the Yahoo Japan malware was thwarted before information could be extracted. Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/040413-japanese-web-portals-hacked-up-268387.html>

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Symantec finds plethora of fraud apps on Google Play market. Symantec researchers found that a fraud ring mostly targeting Japanese users placed up to 200 'one click' fraud apps in the Google Play app marketplace. Source: <http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2258769/symantec-finds-malware-widespread-on-google-play-market>

Darkleech infects scores of Apache servers. The Darkleech malware was found on 2,000 Apache servers during an investigation by Cisco during February and March. The malware is believed to be responsible for injecting invisible iFrames which link to Web pages where users can be targeted by the Blackhole exploit kit. Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Darkleech-infects-scores-of-Apache-servers-1834311.html>

Ransomware leverages victims' browser histories for increased credibility. A new piece of ransomware dubbed "Kovter" uses information in a victim's browser history to attempt to make itself look legitimate. Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/040113-ransomware-leverages-victims-browser-histories-268264.html>

Trojan phishes for credit card info through fake Facebook page. Trend Micro researchers identified a trojan dubbed "TSPY_MINOCDO.A" that, once installed, redirects victims trying to access Facebook and presents them with a fake Facebook page designed to collect personal and financial information. Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2451

NATIONAL MONUMENTS AND ICONS

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POSTAL AND SHIPPING

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PUBLIC HEALTH

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TRANSPORTATION

(Utah) Thieves steal 12,000 feet of copper wire on I-15. Around 12,000 feet of copper wire was stolen from 11 light poles on Interstate 15 in Salt Lake City the week of March 25. Engineers estimated that it will take about \$50,000 to repair the lighting and the incident is considered the largest single case of copper theft in Utah Department of Transportation's history. Source: <http://www.wvntv.com/story/21843073/accident-on-route-19-closes-southbound-lanes>

WATER AND DAMS

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HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center: 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-328-8175 State Radio: 800-472-2121; Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI): 701-328-5500; North Dakota Highway Patrol: 701-328-2455; US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst: 701-297-7400; Bismarck FBI: 701-223-4875; Fargo FBI: 701-232-7241.**

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